1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 DARRYL RANSOM. No. CV 07-4453-PSG(CT) 11 Petitioner, ORDER TRANSFERRING ACTION TO UNITED STATES DISTRICT 12 v. COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 13 BEN CURRY, Warden, 14 Respondent. 15 16 In his federal petition for writ of habeas corpus, petitioner 17 Darryl Ransom ("petitioner"), in state custody and proceeding pro 18 se, challenges the California Board of Parole Hearings' denial of 19 20

(Am. Pet. at 2, 5-6(B)). Petitioner is incarcerated at the Correctional Training Facility in Soledad, which is located within Monterey County, California. (Am. Pet. at 1, 2). Monterey County lies within the venue of the Northern District of California. 28 U.S.C. §84(a).

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Venue is proper in a habeas action in either the district of confinement or the district of conviction. 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d). However, where a petitioner challenges the manner in which his sentence is being executed, e.g., parole or time credits claims, the district of confinement is the preferable forum. See Dunne v.

Henman, 875 F.2d 244, 249 (9th Cir. 1989). As Monterey County lies in the Northern District, the court hereby ORDERS that pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a), and in the interests of justice, this action be TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, and that the clerk of this court shall effect such transfer.

Consequently, the reference to the magistrate judge is VACATED, and IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the clerk shall serve a copy of this order on all counsel or parties of record.

DATE: 7/18/08

PHILIP S. GUTIERREZ
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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